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MICHAEL R BROWN
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER
CONTINENTAL LIME INC
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Dear Mr. Brown:

The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (UDOGM) contacted this office with a concern about the reclamation proposed in your Modification to Plan of Operations, Cricket Mountain Project. The concern that UDOGM voiced was the sentence in Section 5.6.1 of your proposed plan modification that states "Quarry benches will not be reclaimed." This was apparently overlooked during our initial reading of your proposed plan.

The reclamation plan in the original Plan of Operations (Plan) required that the quarry benches be reclaimed. In order to be consistent with the original Plan and to minimize the unnecessary and undue degradation of the Federal lands, the benches in your quarries must be reclaimed in a manner consistent with your original plan. The available topsoil should be used to reclaim those areas where you have proposed to use it, and if there is then insufficient topsoil available to cover the benches, fines from your screened, undersized stockpiles must be spread on the benches. This fine material will support revegetation much more readily than the coarse broken and unbroken rock that would cover the benches if they were unreclaimed. Reseeding, mulching, etc. should be as specified by UDOGM

If you have any questions contact Ron Teseneer, 801-743-3100.

Sincerely

DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINI

Rex Rowley Area Manager

cc: Tom Munson, UDOGM